



PROJECT PET FOOD

Membership Requirements



Maricopa County Animal Care & Control (AC&C), Westside Food Bank, and PETCO have joined forces to create Project Pet Food. Project Pet Food is a community food bank program designed to help needy families keep their pets thereby preventing them from being turned into an animal shelter.

Applications to join Project Pet Food are given out during the distribution dates. **To join Project Pet Food a person must be currently receiving public assistance or have an income of 185% of the current poverty level.** Examples of public assistance programs are AHCCS, Food Stamps, SSI, Federal Public Housing, and TANF. **You must bring current documentation proving that you are receiving public assistance, including your case number, and fill out an application.** If you do not bring the required information, you will not be given pet food. Those families in temporary crisis such as loss of a job will be accepted on a case-by-case basis. **Animal rescue groups and feral cat caretakers are not eligible.** Your membership will be verified prior to being given pet food on any future distribution dates. Pet food will be given on a first come first serve basis as supplies last.

Individuals who receive food through Project Pet Food are required to have a current dog license, current vaccinations for all their pets, and all animals must be spayed or neutered. Assistance is available to help get your pet spayed/neutered and vaccinated. **Spay/neuter applications, \$6 vaccinations, and dog licenses are available for purchase on site during the food distribution.** Or, you can get pet vaccinations or licenses at any of the three AC&C centers (2323 S. 35th Avenue and 5231 N. 35th Avenue in Phoenix, and 2630 W. 8th Street in Mesa) seven days a week. Dog licenses cost \$10 for a spayed/neutered animal and \$25 for an un-spayed/neutered animal.

Pet food amounts will be determined by the weight of your animal. There is a “per family limit” of 40 pounds of dog food and 20 pounds of cat food.

Project Pet Food distribution is on the third Saturday of every month at the Westside’s Phoenix Food Bank, 4211 N. 43rd Avenue, from 10am-12pm.

For more information about joining or donating to Project Pet Food, please call 602-506-PETS or 602-242- FOOD.

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